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COMMITTEE

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1. TEXT OF NIGERIAN DECLARATION INTRODUCED AT END OF OAU
31ST ORDINARY SESSION, HELD AT DAR ES SALAAM JUNE 19-23,
IS FORWARDED BELOW. DECLARATION IS AN ANNEX TO COMMITTEE'S
REPORT TO OAU COUNCIL OF MINISTERS. DEPT. MAY WISH TO PASS
TO OAU COLLECTIVE.

2. BEGIN TEXT: WHILE CONSIDERING THE QUESTION OF THE
LIBERATION OF THE REMAINING POCKETS OF COLONIALISM IN AFRICA
NAMELY, RHODESIA, NAMIBIA AND SOUTH AFRICA, THE NIGERIAN
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DELEGATION FEELS COMPELLED TO PRONOUNCE ITSELF ON THE PRESENT
SITUATION IN AFRICA. AFRICA TODAY FINDS HERSELF IN A SITUATION
WHERE THERE IS AN ATTEMPT TO RECOLONIZE THE CONTINENT. OUR
DELEGATION RECALLS WITH DEEP ALARM THE FACT THAT A BUNCH OF
MERCENARIES HAVE BEEN ABLE TO OVERTHROW THE GOVERNMENT OF AN
INDEPENDENT AFRICAN STATE. WE CONDEMN THE NEW ROLE OF
IMPERIALISTS, THEIR LACKEYS AND MERCENARIES IN AFRICA.

3. WE HAVE ALSO LEARNED WITH DISMAY THE PROPOSAL TO SET UP
A PAN AFRICAN FORCE IN OUR CONTINENT WITH THE HELP OF CERTAIN
NON-AFRICAN POWERS.

4. WE REITERATE OUR COMMITMENTS TO THE CHARTER OF THE
OAU REGARDING THE TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY OF NATIONS.

5. A PAN AFRICAN FORCE MUST BE AFRICAN AS THE NAME IMPLIES.
IT MUST BE SET UP BY THE OAU WHEN AND HOW IT DECIDES TO
DO SO.

6. WE REFUSE TO ACCEPT ANY INTERVENTION IN AFRICA BY CERTAIN POWERS
ON
THE PRETEXT THAT OTHER POWERS ARE IN AFRICA. AFRICA REMAINS DETER-
MINED TO OPPOSE THE MOTIVATIONS OF ALL FOREIGN POWERS IF THE
ACTION OF THESE POWERS ARE INIMCAL TO THE INTEREST OF AFRICA.
AFRICA SHOULD AND MUST REMAIN THE SOLE INTERPRETER OF ITS OWN
DESTINY.

7. WE URGE THE CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE FOR THE LIBERATION OF
AFRICA TO APPEAL TO ALL CONTINENTAL POWERS TO LEAVE THE SOLUTION
OF AFRICAN PROBLEMS TO AFRICANS THEMSELVES. THIS IS THE LEAST THAT
AFRICA ASKS. "THIS MUCH AFRICA DEMANDS AND MUST HAVE."
END TEXT.

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